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AFTER FINAL PROCEDURE - PLEASE EXPEDITE HANDLING  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Toshiharu OHBA et al.

Application No.: 09/368,572

Conf. No. 5695

Filed: August 5, 1999

For: PLANT PROMOTER AND METHOD...

Art Unit: 1637

Examiner: S. Chunduru

Washington, D.C.

Atty.'s Docket: OHBA=1A

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a ☒ Amendment After Final Rejection ☐ \_\_\_\_\_  
in the above-identified application.

☐ Small Entity Status: Applicant(s) claim small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

☒ No additional fee is required.

☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA EQUALS
TOTAL	* 4	MINUS	** 20	0
INDEP.	* 2	MINUS	*** 7	0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				

ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL

SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
x 9	\$
x 43	\$
+ 145	\$
ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL	

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
x 18	\$
x 86	\$
+ 290	\$
TOTAL	

- \* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.  
\*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.  
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☒ Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

☐ It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

Small Entity

Response Filed Within

- ☐ First - \$ 55.00  
☐ Second - \$ 210.00  
☐ Third - \$ 475.00  
☐ Fourth - \$ 740.00

Month After Time Period Set

Other Than Small Entity

Response Filed Within

- ☐ First - \$ 110.00  
☐ Second - \$ 420.00  
☐ Third - \$ 950.00  
☐ Fourth - \$ 1480.00

Month After Time Period Set

☐ Less fees (\$ ) already paid for month(s) extension of time on .

☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-4035 in the amount of \$ .

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☐ A check in the amount of \$ . is attached (check no. ).

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 29, 2003,  
please amend as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims  
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.